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Examiner Name	Alicia A. Chevalier
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Title: THERMAL INSULATION SYSTEM AND METHOD

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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By paper signed on April 23, 2004, Applicants submitted a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above identified application. In a communication dated May 27, 2004, Legal Instruments Examiner (LIE), Ms. Terry Ross, indicated that the Amendment After Final Rejection initially submitted for entry on March 5, 2004 and referred to in the RCE request of April 23, 2004 was Non-Compliant under 37 CFR 1.121 as having not provided "proper status identifier[s]" whereupon the individual status of the claims could not be identified.

In response, a Supplemental Amendment After Final Rejection identical in substance to the Amendment originally submitted on March 5, 2004, but with corrected status identifiers, is submitted as a replacement for the Amendment submitted on March 5, 2004.

It is respectfully requested that the request for RCE be granted and that the enclosed Supplemental Amendment After Final Rejection be entered and examined on the merits.

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Serial No. 09/939,286

THE THERMAL INSULATION SYSTEM AND METHOD

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at street dial (321) 867-7214 if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Any additional charges necessary to prosecute this application are authorized to be drawn against Deposit Account 14-0116.

Date: Jan 2, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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